

## **Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 41**

### **RESOLUTION CHAPTER 56**

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 41—Relative to Motorcycle Awareness Month.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SCR 41, Huff. Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

This measure would proclaim May 2013 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in California.

WHEREAS, In 1987, the State of California initiated a statewide, multifaceted motorcycle safety program designed to promote safety through the education and training of novice motorcycle riders; and

WHEREAS, Beginning in 2008, the California Highway Patrol partnered with public and private motorcycle safety stakeholder organizations to develop a comprehensive effort to address a steep, 10-year increase of motorcyclist fatalities and injuries on the state's roadways; and

WHEREAS, Motorcyclists throughout the state raise funds for the less fortunate through charity runs and benefits, and encourage continued involvement within their communities; and

WHEREAS, During the month of May 2013, the California Motorcyclist Safety Program, the California Highway Patrol, and national, state, and local motorcycle safety organizations will join together in an effort to increase awareness by motorcyclists and motorists of the need to safely coexist in California's roadways; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the California Motorcyclist Safety Program has set a national record and leads the nation with over 843,000 motorcyclists trained; and

WHEREAS, California motorcyclists are encouraged to properly outfit themselves with proper protective equipment, licensing, and insurance, and to adhere to our state's rules of the road; and

WHEREAS, The California Highway Patrol and the California Motorcyclist Safety Program are committed to educating motorcycle riders and operators about other vehicles to reduce the pain, suffering, and economic loss that result from traffic collisions, through education on the dangers of impaired riding and the need for other motorists to be aware of motorcycles among the mix of vehicles used for transportation; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring,* That the Legislature proclaims May 2013 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in California; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.